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1. BAER (real name Guenther BERMUDEZ) is leader of a Sub-Activity of GV "E".

GRUNERT (real name Walter GAIPEL) is Haupt-V-Mann of the same Sub-Agency.

MORGENRODT is a man in the CSR whom BAER intended to contact.

2. According to BAER the incident happened as follows:

In the morning of 1 March 50, BAER intended to meet GRUNERT in KOEURG, Hotel zum Anker. GRUNERT appeared there accompanied by a CIC-officer (wearing civilian clothes). BAER asked the CIC-officer for a conference with him alone. The officer asked him to identify himself and, therefore, he had to show his kennkarte on his real name since then he did not yet have a kennkarte on his cover name.

The conference with the CIC officer and BAER was held in a friendly way. When the officer asked him in what field he was working he said "in the military field". BAER claims he never stated that he had the mission to obtain information on the 4th Soviet Elite Army.

3. In the fall of 1949, GV "B" intended to drop GRUNERT. The letter of GV "B" mentioned this intention to Capt. E.L. CIO S.L.B during a discussion. However, a possibility was found to re-employ GRUNERT and his valuable net with our organization. There was no evidence that GRUNERT did any spying.

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